

**CCRF Rostered Members by Category  
June 2003**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Officers in Category</b>	<b>Total Officers Rostered in Category</b>	<b>Percent CCRF Rostered Members</b>
Medical	1224	210	17.2%
Dental	498	167	33.5%
Nurse	1198	544	45.4%
Engineer	412	108	26.2%
Scientist	265	39	14.7%
EHO	374	125	33.4%
Veterinarian	97	24	24.7%
Pharmacist	846	301	35.6%
Dietician	78	31	39.7%
Therapist	121	57	47.1%
HSO **	920	256	27.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6033</b>	<b>1862</b>	<b>30.9%</b>

\*\* HSO category count includes all 140 Jr COSTEPs. They should not be considered for computation. In the absence of Jr COSTEPs, the HSO category has 30.5% CCRF members.

**CCRF Rostered Members by Agency**  
**June 2003**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Total Officers Assigned to Agency</b>	<b>Rostered CCRF Members</b>	<b>Percent CCRF Rostered Members</b>
AHRQ	10	8	80%
ATSDR	80	41	51.3%
BOP	647	236	36.5%
CDC	848	125	14.7%
CMS	89	39	43.8%
DHS	188	69	36.7%
EPA	79	24	30.4%
<b>FDA</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>34.1%</b>
HRSA	457	212	46.4%
IHS	2173	663	30.5%
NIH	470	90	19.1%
OS	84	41	48.8%
PSC	91	31	34.1%
SAMHSA	57	18	31.6%
USDA	11	5	45.5%
USMS	17	9	52.9%
OTHERS	6	5	83.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6033</b>	<b>1862</b>	<b>30.9%</b>

## Commissioned Corps Readiness Force

**Mission** - The Commissioned Corps Readiness Force (CCRF) is a cadre of active duty officers in the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS), uniquely qualified by education, training, and skills, who can be mobilized in times of extraordinary need during disasters, strife, or other public health emergencies, and in response to domestic or international requests, to provide public health leadership and expertise by enhancing and supporting the services of the PHS and other Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Operating Divisions, other U.S. government departments or agencies, and/or international respondents. The CCRF was created by the Surgeon General in 1994 to improve the DHHS ability to respond to public health emergencies.

The CCRF is composed of approximately 1,800 PHS officers who are on monthly ready rosters, and are ready to deploy to support the mission of the Department. The CCRF membership is composed of physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dentists, veterinarians, engineers, environmental health officers, scientists, therapists, dieticians, mental health providers, and other public health professionals.

Recent deployments have included:

### Public Health Emergencies

- (1999) Provided over 150 health care personnel to Ft Dix, New Jersey to provide medical and public health services to Kosovar refugees arriving on US soil.
- (1999) Provided nurses and physicians to provide care to Native Americans on the Hoopa Reservation as a result of the California Wildfires.
- (1999) Provided nurses and interpreters to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in detaining Chinese aliens on Guam.
- (1999) Provided health care personnel to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in detaining aliens in Guatemala.
- (2000) Provided engineers to St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, DC to complete building surveys on over sixty buildings on campus - many of which were 100 years old.
- (2000) Provided physicians on board two National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration vessels in the Pacific Ocean during a marine mammal study.
- (2000) Provided nurses to Maniilaq Alaska Native Health Center inside the Arctic Circle to support the needs of the Alaska natives in a remote bush hospital.
- (2001) Provided officers to perform a public health assessment for the state of West Virginia after flooding.
- (2001) Provided physicians to Mescalero Indian Health Service Hospital in New Mexico to address an acute physician shortage.
- (2001) Provided pharmacists to a Federal Bureau of Prisons hospital in Devens, MA in response to an acute pharmacist shortage.
- (2002) Deployed veterinarians and epidemiologists to support the U.S. Department of Agriculture in dealing with an Avian Influenza Outbreak among chicken and turkey farms in rural Virginia.
- (2002) Provided nurses to assist the DC Department of Health in immunizing 19,000 people.
- (2003) Provided medical teams to care for USDA and Federal responders at an Exotic Newcastle Disease Outbreak in California, Nevada, and Arizona.
- (2003) Deployed mental health providers and dieticians to support Rhode Island burn hospitals after the Rhode Island Nightclub Fire.
- (2003) Deployed public health nurses to augment the American Red Cross in providing care to people in shelters as a result of the Midwest Tornadoes in Kansas, Missouri, and Tennessee.
- (2003) Deployed nurses, physicians, and others to administer smallpox vaccinations to responders.

### Federally Declared Disasters

- (1999) Deployed medical and environmental health personnel to North Carolina after Hurricane Floyd.
- (2001) Provided a variety of health care providers to Houston, TX in response to Tropical Storm Allison. As a follow-up, provided environmental health officers to deal with mold amelioration in damaged public buildings in Houston.
- (2002) Provided health care providers to Louisiana and Mississippi in response to Tropical Storm Isidore.
- (2002) Provided health care providers to Louisiana in response to Hurricane Lili.
- (2002) Deployed personnel to provide medical care in the Federated States of Micronesia after Typhoon Chata'an.
- (2002) Deployed personnel to provide medical care on the Island of Guam after Typhoon Pongsona.

### Special Security Events

- (2001) Supported the Presidential Inauguration with health care providers, who participated on medical teams that were stationed throughout the crowd during the event.
- (2001) Provided medical strike teams to a Special Assembly of the United Nations in New York City, to provide health care for federal law enforcement personnel (FBI, USSS, ATF)

- (2002) Deployed medical strike teams to the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City which were strategically stationed close to sport venues in case of a weapons of mass destruction event.
- (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003) Deployed medical providers to the State of the Union Address.
- (2000) Deployed medical providers to support the US Secret Service at the national political conventions.
- (2000, 2002) Deployed medical providers to support the US Secret Service during meetings of the International Monetary Fund/World Bank in case of a WMD occurrence.
- (2002) Deployed medical providers to support the US Secret Service and the US Capitol Police during the Support for Israel Rally and the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebrations to be available in case of a WMD occurrence.
- (2003) Deployed medical strike teams during an “Orange” security threat in Washington, DC and New York City in case of a weapons of mass destruction event.
- (2000) Deployed officers to Colorado, New Hampshire, and Washington, DC to exercise the nation’s readiness for WMD during TOPOFF I.
- (2003) Deployed officers to Washington, Illinois, and Washington, DC to further exercise the nation’s WMD readiness capabilities during TOPOFF II.

#### Terrorist Attacks

- (2001) In response to the attacks of 9/11, CCRF provided:
  - ★ Health care providers to augment DMAT teams
  - ★ Mental health professionals to care for first responders at Ground Zero
  - ★ Forensic dentists to support the NYC Medical Examiner
  - ★ Medical records personnel to support the NYC Medical Examiner
  - ★ A 44 person medical team to staff clinics at Ground Zero
  - ★ Liaison officers to support operations at FEMA, FBI, Homeland Security and OER
  - ★ Backfill at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda for navy personnel who deployed on the USNS Comfort.
  - ★ Administrative personnel for missions in NYC, PA, and at the Pentagon
  - ★ Pharmacists to support the National Pharmaceutical Stockpile
  - ★ Engineers and environmental health officers to monitor the unique environmental and occupational health needs around Ground Zero.
- (2001) In response to the anthrax attacks, CCRF provided:
  - ★ Pharmacists, nurses, and physicians to provide patient counseling, nasal swabbing, and antibiotic prophylaxis for the U.S. Capitol, Washington, DC mail facilities, NYC mail facilities, the Dept of State, and HHS.
  - ★ Medical records and data entry personnel to support these events
  - ★ Liaison officers to support operations at FEMA, FBI, OEP, Homeland Security, and the Secretary’s Command Center.
  - ★ Environmental sampling teams in a variety of postal facilities and mail rooms.
  - ★ Liaison officers to support the Washington, DC Department of Health and the NYC Department of Health.

#### Wartime

- (2003) Provided surgical and medical nurses to National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda to care for wounded soldiers and sailors from the Persian Gulf.
- (2003) Deployed dentists to Quantico Marine Base Clinic, Virginia to provide dental services because regular dental staff were deployed on board the USNS Comfort.